I would like to comment on the BPL issue. This will destroy the amateur radio service on HF. ESPECIALLY LOW\_SIGNAL USES. The useful communication that will remain will be VHF and UHF which only work on the local level. What makes the use of amateur radio useful in times of emergency is not only for people to be able to communicate in a disaster area, but to communicate pass that communication, as well as health and welfare messages on HF.

BPL causes interference to the HF spectrum where it has been tested. This will create the need for each service to try to increase power levels...Now that is really dumb, because we are trying to get people to use only the necessary power. This sends the wrong message. It will be a competition to try to overcome the signal to noise.

I am strictly a HF operator, and am ardently opposed to this proposed use of the radio spectrum.

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